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SUBJECT: STATEMENT ON LOS BY PRESIDENT OF ECUADOR

REF: FBIS PANAMA 231850Z JULY 73 NOTAL

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1. REF FBIS MESSAGE WHICH WAS NOT SENT TO YOU REPORTS
A PRESS INTERVIEW WITH PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ LARA.
DURING THE COURSE OF THE SESSION, RODRIGUEZ MADE THE
FOLLOWING STATEMENT ON LOS AND THE 200 MILES:
QUOTE: QUESTION: WILL YOUR GOVERNMENT MAINTAIN THE
CURRENT 200 MILE THESIS AS THE LIMIT OF TERRITORIAL
FISHING WATERS AT THE UN SEA RIGHTS CONFERENCE?
ANSWER: THERE SHOULD NOT BE THE SLIGHTEST DOUBT THAT
WE WILL MAINTAIN THE 200 MILE THESIS OF EXCLUSIVE
SOVEREIGNTY AND JURISDICTION AT THE UN AND AT OTHER
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS WHERE IT MAY BECOME
NECESSARY. BY SO DOING, WE ARE DEFENDING OUR ENTIRE
TERRITORY WHICH IS INSEPARABLE FROM THE SEA THAT BATHES
OUR WESTERN COASTS. WE WILL EXERCISE THE INALINEABLE
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RIGHT TO USE THE FISH RESOURCES FOUND WITHIN SUCH LIMITS.

WE WILL ENACT LAWS AND REGULATIONS SO THAT IF FOREIGN INDUSTRIALISTS AND BUSINESSMEN OBTAIN SUCH RESOURCES IT WILL BE IN ACCORD WITH APPROPRIATE LAWS, WITH ORDERS ISSUED BY OUR OFFICIALS AND OUR NAVAL FORCE, AND WILL INVOLVE THE PROMPT PAYMENT OF FAIR PRICES. WE WILL CONTINUE CONFRONTING PIRACY WITHIN THE 200 MILE LIMIT WITHOUT PAYING ATTENTION TO REPRISALS OR THREATS. UNQUOTE. END UNCLASSIFIED.

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2. COMMENT: THE ABSENCE OF COMMENT ON FREE OR ANY OTHER KIND OF PASSAGE AND THE EMPHASIS ON THE RESOURCE ASPECT OF THE FISHERIES PROBLEM ARE INTERESTING. CHAPLIN

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